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To: Microsoft ATR

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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Representative of the Dept of Justice,

Perhaps Microsoft does have a dominant position in the computer software market place. That is precisely why I invested in that company. The technology and ease of use offered by microsoft and my computer maker is what this market place is looking for.

Microsoft is not a monopoly in the market place. They have competition. (Unlike my local telephone company, cable company, etc. etc.)

Computer users and consumers are smart enough to find alternate browser software. I get several discs in the mail (unsolicited as well) from different ISPs that use Netscape, Microsoft, etc. You plug it in and it does the work. Or, the keyword system allows users to find free downloads of about any type that works within my microsoft system and they are not microsoft product.

Now that my government has dragged Microsoft through the mud and they have offered a settlement, I think you should take it and stop wasting the resources of a company that brings more efficiency of technology to the U.S than any other company in the world.

Sincerely,

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